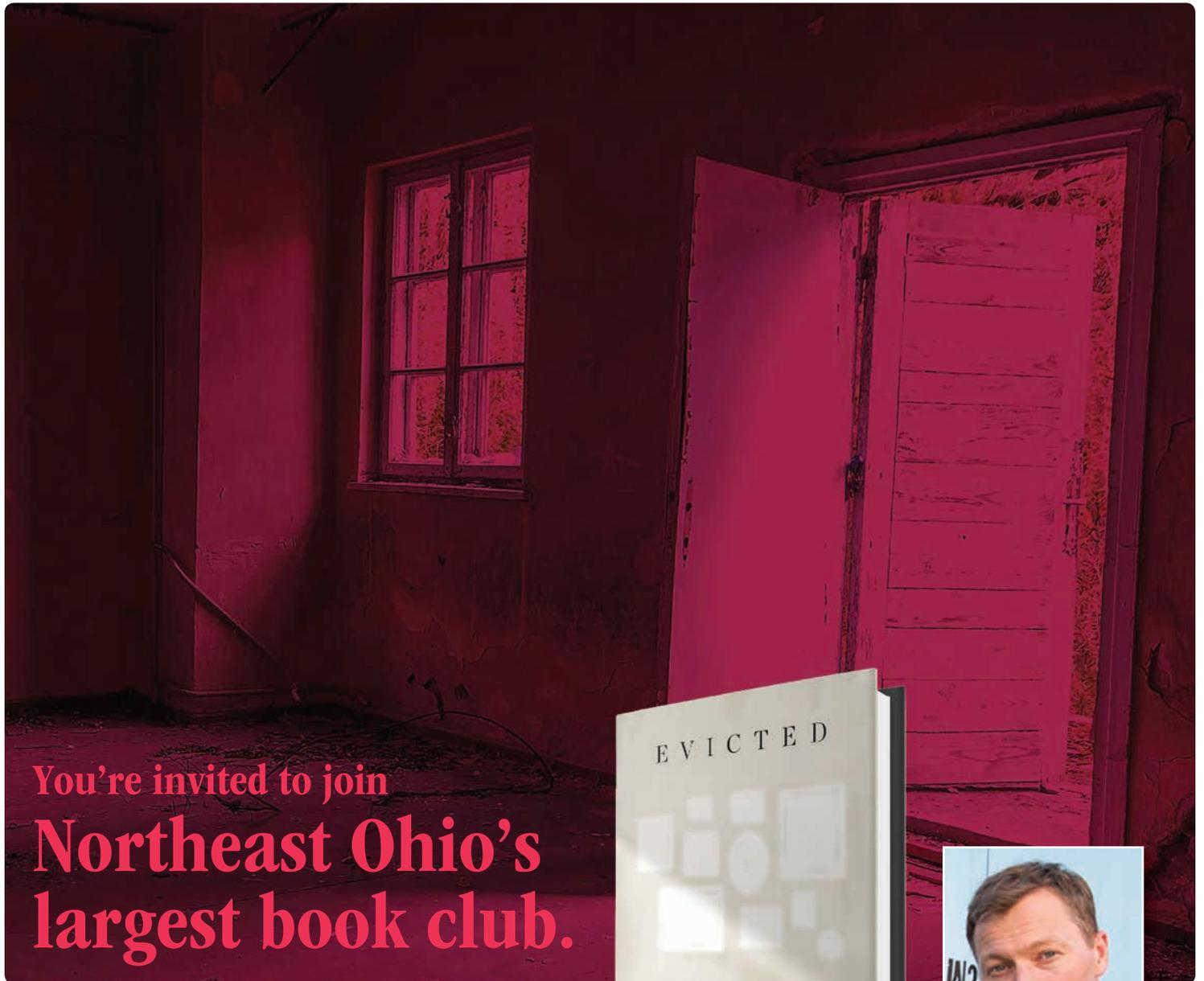




One Community
READS



You're invited to join
**Northeast Ohio's
largest book club.**

One Community Reads is designed to broaden and deepen our appreciation of reading and compel friends, families and neighbors to share their experience while reading the same book. The project is further intended to engage the community in dialogue on one of America's most devastating problems.

This program is made possible, in part, by Ohio Humanities, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this program do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Learn more at oncommunityreads.org.

Ohio
HUMANITIES
SHARING THE HUMAN STORY

“You think your pain and your heartbreak are unprecedented in the history of the world, but then you read. It was Dostoevsky and Dickens who taught me that the things that tormented me most were the very things that connected me with all the people who were alive, or who ever had been alive.”

— JAMES BALDWIN



Dear resident,

While the act of reading is a solitary exercise, it has the power to create connections to people and places that we may not otherwise know or understand. Reading is so important to shaping our view of the world, so I am particularly proud to have been asked to serve as the honorary chair of the inaugural One Community Reads program.

One Community Reads is a collaboration among all nine local public library systems, the City Club of Cleveland and Playhouse Square to create a shared reading and learning experience for the Greater Cleveland community.

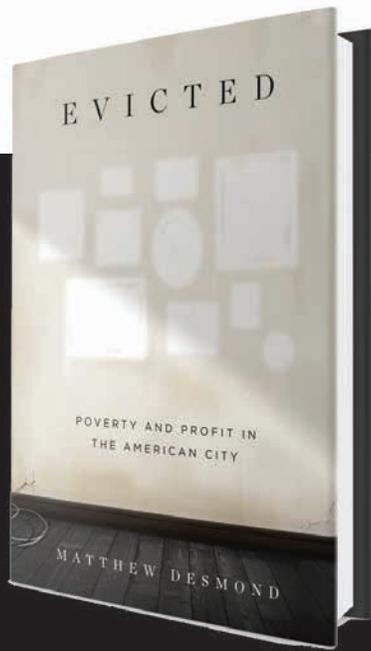
This year's selection, the Pulitzer Prize-winning *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* by Dr. Matthew Desmond, will help transform our understanding of poverty and the centrality of home. I hope you will check out the book from your local library branch and join in one or more book discussions, film screenings and panel discussions on the topics of economic exploitation, inequality and housing – and how we might come together as a community to address the devastating problem of poverty and eviction.

Our vision is for Cuyahoga County to be a vibrant and prosperous region where everyone thrives and anything is possible. Through One Community Reads, we can have important conversations about economic opportunity and the challenges we must overcome together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Armond Budish". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Armond Budish
Cuyahoga County Executive

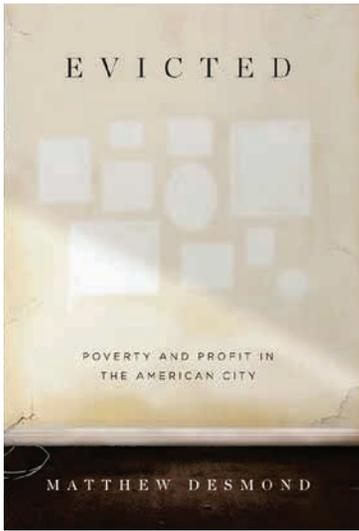


Thursday, March 15th / 7:00 p.m.

Matthew Desmond at the Ohio Theatre

The Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City* will speak at the Ohio Theatre. There will be a book signing after the talk. This event is free and open to the public. Registration is required. Our streaming partner – Ideastream – will broadcast the event live at local libraries. Visit onecommunityreads.org for a list of locations and special live stream events.

216.771.4444 / playhousesquare.org



About the Book

In this brilliant, heartbreaking book, Matthew Desmond takes us into the poorest neighborhoods of Milwaukee to tell the story of eight families on the edge. Arleen is a single mother trying to raise her two sons on the \$20 a month she has left after paying for their rundown apartment. Scott is a gentle nurse consumed by a heroin addiction. Lamar, a man with no legs and a neighborhood full of boys to look after, tries to work his way out of debt. Vanetta participates in a botched stickup after her hours are cut. All are spending almost everything they have on rent, and all have fallen behind.

In vivid, intimate prose, Desmond provides a ground-level view of one of the most urgent issues facing America today. As we see families forced into shelters, squalid apartments or more dangerous neighborhoods, we bear witness to the human cost of America's vast inequality – and to people's determination and intelligence in the face of hardship.

The winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award for Nonfiction, the Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction and the 2017 Hillman Prize for Book Journalism, *Evicted* is based on years of embedded fieldwork and painstakingly gathered data. This masterful book transforms our understanding of extreme poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving a devastating, uniquely American problem. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible.



About the Author

Matthew Desmond is an American sociologist and urban ethnographer. He is a professor in the Department of Sociology at Princeton University. After receiving his Ph.D. in 2010 from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, he joined the Harvard Society of Fellows as a Junior Fellow. The author of several books, including the award-winning *On the Fireline* and *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*, Desmond was awarded a MacArthur “Genius” grant in 2015 for his work on poverty in America. A contributing writer for *The New York Times Magazine*, Desmond was named in 2016 by Politico as one of “fifty people across the country who are most influencing the national political debate.”

Program times and dates are subject to change. Please visit onecommunityreads.org for confirmation.

Evicted Book Discussions

Join us for rich and thoughtful conversations around the topic of eviction and its effect on the community. The purpose of the discussions is to engage both the public and community leaders in a conversation about the effect of housing insecurity on the region and shed light on the work being done by fair housing, veterans affairs, mental health and social services. Join us in finding real solutions to our housing crisis and in celebrating the power of books to create a stronger community.

Monday, January 15th

Lakewood Public Library – Main Library

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Roland V. Anglin of Cleveland State University

216.226.8275 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org

Thursday, January 18th

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Bay Village Branch

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. David Hammack of Case Western Reserve University

It is not mandatory to read the book before the program.

440.871.6392 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Saturday, January 20th

Shaker Heights Public Library

Bertram Woods Branch

2:00 p.m.

Books will be available at the Woods Reference desk one month before the discussion. Please register for the discussion at the time you pick up the book.

216.991.2421 / shakerlibrary.org

Thursday, January 25th

East Cleveland Public Library

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Megan Hatch of Cleveland State University

216.541.4128 / eastclevelandpubliclibrary.org

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Beth Nagy of Cleveland State University

It is not required to read the book before the program.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

Tuesday, January 30th

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Beachwood Branch

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Ted Steinberg of Case Western Reserve University

It is not mandatory to read the book before the program.

216.831.6868 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Rocky River Public Library

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Thomas Hilde of Cleveland State University and Jim Rokakis, vice president of Western Reserve Land Conservancy and director of Thriving Communities. It is not mandatory to read the book before the program.

440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

Thursday, February 1st

Lakewood Public Library – Madison Branch

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Roland V. Anglin of Cleveland State University

216.228.7428 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org

Friday, February 2nd

Cleveland Public Library – Main Branch

2:30 p.m.

With Dr. Beth Nagy of Cleveland State University

216.623.2800 / cpl.org

Heights Libraries – Lee Road Branch

7:00 p.m.

All ages are welcome to join the conversation.

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Wednesday, February 7th

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Brook Park Branch

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Ronnie Dunn of Cleveland State University

It is not mandatory to read the book before the program.

216.267.5250 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, February 8th

Lakewood Public Library – Main Library

7:00 p.m.

Join the Nonfiction Book Club for a thought-provoking discussion.

216.226.8275 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org

Tuesday, February 13th

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

10:00 a.m.

Books will be available at the Main Reference desk one month before the discussion. Please register for the discussion at the time you pick up the book.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org



Wednesday, February 14th

Cuyahoga County Public Library
North Royalton Branch
7:00 p.m.
440.237.3800 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, February 15th

Orange Senior Center – 3200 Chagrin Boulevard
2:30 p.m.
216.831.4282 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Brecksville Branch
7:00 p.m.
440.526.1102 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, February 20th

Cleveland Public Library – Carnegie West Branch
5:00 p.m.
With Dr. Roland V. Anglin of Cleveland State University
216.623.6927 / cpl.org

Thursday, February 22nd

Cuyahoga County Public Library
South Euclid-Lyndhurst Branch
10:30 a.m.
216.382.4880 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Euclid Public Library

7:00 p.m.
With Dr. Ted Steinberg of Case Western Reserve University
It is not mandatory to read the book before the program.
216.261.5300 / euclidlibrary.org

Westlake Porter Public Library

7:00 p.m.
With Dr. Megan Hatch of Cleveland State University
440.871.2600 / westlakelibrary.org

Monday, February 26th

The City Club of Cleveland
12:00 p.m.
Open to the public. \$5 fee for lunch (optional).
216.621.0082 / cityclub.org

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Berea Branch
7:00 p.m.
440.234.5475 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, March 1st

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Bay Village Branch
7:00 p.m.
440.871.6392 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Heights Libraries – Coventry Village Branch

7:00 p.m.
This group discussion is open to all ages.
216.321.3400 / heightslibrary.org

Friday, March 2nd

Cleveland Public Library – Main Branch
12:00 p.m.
With Dr. David Hammack of Case Western Reserve University
216.623.2800 / cpl.org

Monday, March 5th

Euclid Public Library

10:30 a.m.

216.261.5300 / euclidlibrary.org

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Brooklyn Branch

7:00 p.m.

216.398.4600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, March 6th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

South Euclid-Lyndhurst Branch

6:30 p.m.

216.382.4880 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Wednesday, March 7th

Euclid Public Library

7:00 p.m.

216.261.5300 / euclidlibrary.org

Heights Libraries – Lee Road Branch

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Rosie Tighe of Cleveland State University

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Thursday, March 8th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Independence Branch

7:00 p.m.

With Dr. Roland Anglin of Cleveland State University

216.447.0160 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Saturday, March 10th

Cleveland Public Library – Rice Branch

12:00 p.m.

With Dr. Thomas Hilde of Cleveland State University

216.623.7046 / cpl.org

Monday, March 12th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Maple Heights Branch

10:00 a.m.

216.475.5000 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Mayfield Branch

2:00 p.m.

440.473.0350 / cuyahogalibrary.org

PUBREADS

The Academy Tavern – 12800 Larchmere Avenue

7:00 p.m.

Grab a bite or a beer to go along with your book.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

Wednesday, March 14th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Warrensville Heights Branch

2:00 p.m.

216.464.5280 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Monday, March 19th

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Brooklyn Branch

1:30 p.m.

216.398.4600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Wednesday, March 21st

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Beachwood Branch

1:00 p.m.

216.831.6868 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, March 22nd

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Beachwood Branch

2:00 p.m.

216.831.6868 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Monday, April 2nd

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Middleburg Heights Branch

1:30 p.m.

440.234.3600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, April 3rd

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Middleburg Heights Branch

7:30 p.m.

440.234.3600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Wednesday, April 11th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Fairview Park Branch

7:00 p.m.

440.333.4700 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Wednesday, April 18th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Independence Branch

7:15 p.m.

216.447.0160 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, April 19th

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Independence Branch

2:15 p.m.

216.447.0160 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Evicted Community Events

ONLINE DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT Cleveland Public Library

View a digital gallery of historic photos showing people, their homes and building transformations throughout Cleveland's history. All original photographs are available in Cleveland Public Library's photography collection.

cpl.org/homes-of-cle

Monday, January 15th – Sunday, March 18th FOOD DRIVE

Heights Libraries – all branches

Over 230,000 people in Cuyahoga County currently live in a state of food insecurity. That is 18.6 percent of our total population. You can help! Look for donation boxes at all Heights Libraries branches, and please consider donating nonperishable food items for the Heights Emergency Food Center.

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Thursday, January 18th 19TH ANNUAL TEEN POETRY SLAM Heights Libraries – Lee Road Branch

6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Lake Erie Ink and Heights Libraries, the slam is open to all high school students. Participants are encouraged to read Matthew Desmond's *Evicted* and center poems around the concept of home. Attend a workshop before joining us for slam night, which will include prizes and pizza. Registration begins January 1st.

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Saturday, January 20th HOUSING LEGAL AID Cleveland Public Library – Carnegie West Branch

10:00 a.m.

The Legal Aid Society will offer this legal advice clinic focused on tenant/landlord issues. Low-income individuals will receive free advice on civil legal issues on a first-come, first-serve basis.

216.623.6927 / cpl.org

Monday, January 22nd EVICTION DIVERSION Cuyahoga County Public Library Fairview Park Branch

7:00 p.m.

The Cleveland Tenants Organization will discuss various options for tenants facing eviction and assist landlords who have questions about the eviction process.

440.333.4700 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, January 23rd CLEVELAND HOUSING ISSUES & OPPORTUNITIES: A PANEL DISCUSSION

Cleveland Public Library – Fleet Branch

5:00 p.m.

Community housing leaders from around Cleveland will discuss local successes in demolishing blighted properties and renovating, reusing, restoring and rehabilitating older buildings to serve as houses for residents.

216.623.6962 / cpl.org

Wednesday, January 24th ENERGY YOU Cuyahoga County Public Library – Gates Mills Branch

7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

440.423.4808 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, January 25th WHAT'S ON MY PLATE: EQUIPPING FAMILIES TO HANDLE STRESS

Euclid Public Library

6:30 p.m.

This interactive discussion will equip youth with a unique platform to discuss fear or anxiety as it relates to the impact of eviction and other issues families face. Youth will discuss life stressors and learn about positive coping skills and ways to express stress. Angela Flowers from Making a Difference Consulting will facilitate the discussion. This program is aimed toward families with children of all ages.

216.261.5300, ext. 0 / euclidlibrary.org

Saturday, January 27th STREET VOICES Cuyahoga County Public Library – Brooklyn Branch

2:00 p.m.

In conjunction with Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, Street Voices is made up of several well-trained homeless and formerly homeless speakers who will share their stories. With each unique tale, their goal is to expose the community to the real face of homelessness and inspire people of different ages and backgrounds to serve and get involved in their communities.

216.398.4600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Monday, January 29th

WHICH WOULD YOU CHOOSE? IN OR OUT?

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

3:30 p.m.

Teens will react to various eviction scenarios posted in the room. As they formulate their plan of action, they will be presented with local and national resources to help those facing eviction. They can perform “random acts of kindness” within each scenario. Each teen has the choice of identifying with the landlord or with the tenant. On Thursday, February 1st all their contributions will be posted (anonymously) in the room for comment and discussion.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

STREET VOICES

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Chagrin Falls Branch

7:00 p.m.

In conjunction with Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, Street Voices is made up of several well-trained homeless and formerly homeless speakers who will share their stories. With each unique tale, their goal is to expose the community to the real face of homelessness and inspire people of different ages and backgrounds to serve and get involved in their communities.

440.247.3556 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, January 30th

WHICH WOULD YOU CHOOSE? IN OR OUT?

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

3:30 p.m.

Teens will react to various eviction scenarios posted in the room. As they formulate their plan of action, they will be presented with local and national resources to help those facing eviction. They can perform “random acts of kindness” within each scenario. Each teen has the choice of identifying with the landlord or with the tenant. On Thursday, February 1st all their contributions will be posted (anonymously) in the room for comment and discussion.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

KIDS MAKE BLANKETS FOR KIDS

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

4:15 p.m.

Help make someone’s winter a little warmer. Hear an inspiring story about giving and create fleece blankets for donation. For grades K – 6.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

THE HOMELESS AND MISSING YOUTH OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

Heights Libraries – Lee Road Branch

6:30 p.m.

Join Karen McHenry, program manager of Bellefaire JCB’s Homeless Youth Programs, for a discussion on issues in Cuyahoga County. Learn what you can do to identify and help those in need. Please consider bringing a donation of winter gloves, mittens or sealed snacks for hygiene and survival kits.

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

ENERGYOU

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Brecksville Branch

7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

440.526.1102 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Wednesday, January 31st

EVICITION DIVERSION

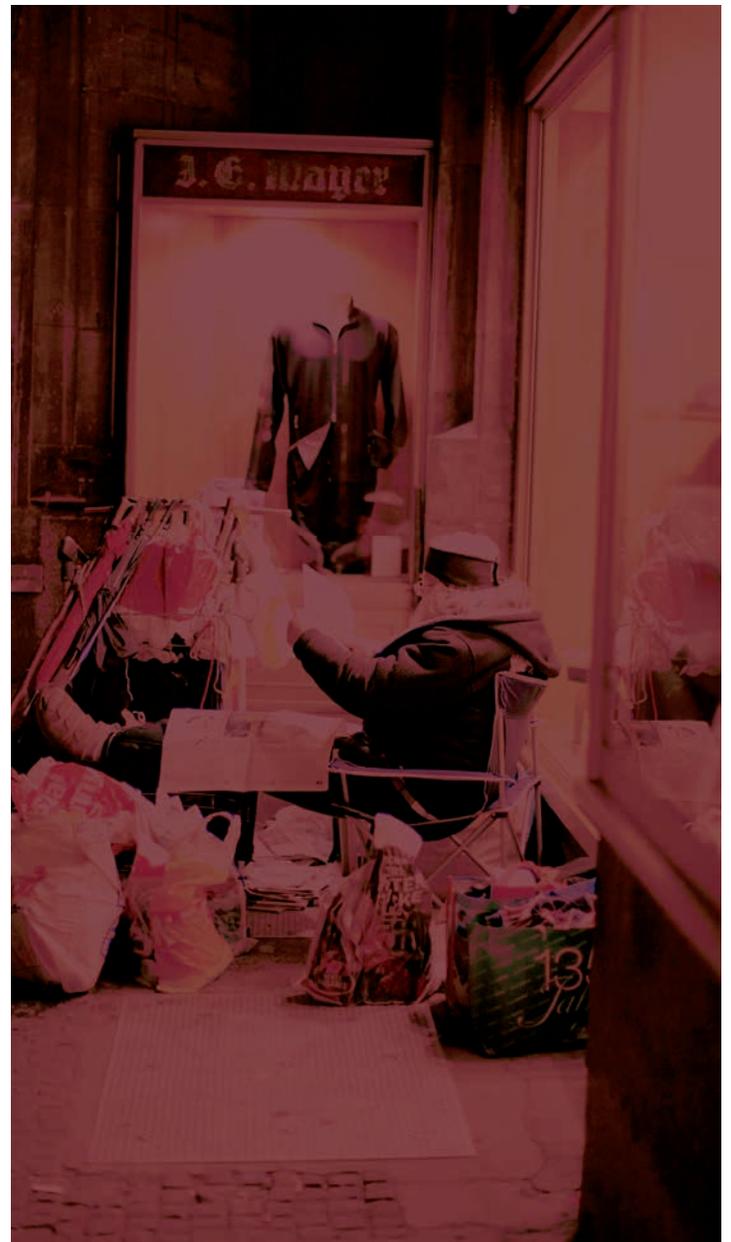
Cuyahoga County Public Library

Maple Heights Branch

7:30 p.m.

The Cleveland Tenants Organization will discuss various options for tenants facing eviction and assist landlords who have questions about the eviction process.

216.475.5000 / cuyahogalibrary.org





Thursday, February 1st

ENERGY YOU

**Cuyahoga County Public Library
North Olmsted Branch**

7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

440.777.6211 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Mondays, February 5th – March 19th

SENIOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Parma Branch

2:00 p.m.

This six-week series will educate and motivate older adults to set and reach financial goals. ESOP, a nonprofit HUD-approved housing and financial counseling agency, will cover recognizing and avoiding elder financial exploitation; estate planning and preparing for the future; goal setting; budgeting, credit and debt; and building and protecting savings and assets.

440.885.5362 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, February 6th

STREET VOICES

**Cuyahoga County Public Library
Garfield Heights Branch**

7:00 p.m.

In conjunction with Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, Street Voices is made up of several well-trained homeless and formerly homeless speakers who will share their stories. With each unique tale, their goal is to expose the community to the real face of homelessness and inspire people of different ages and backgrounds to serve and get involved in their communities.

216.475.8178 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Friday, February 9th

BENEFITS & RESOURCE INFORMATION FOR SENIORS & DISABLED PERSONS

Rocky River Public Library

10:00 a.m.

The Cuyahoga County Division of Senior and Adult Services is a partner with the Aging & Disability Resource Network of the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging. For seniors over 60 years old and disabled adults ages 18 – 59, information/benefits specialists will provide a presentation aimed at identifying potential benefits, services and resources that support independence. Information/benefits specialists will also screen for eligibility for public benefits and provide guidance through the application process.

440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

Saturday, February 10th

HOUSING LEGAL AID

Cleveland Public Library

Memorial Nottingham Branch

10:00 a.m.

The Legal Aid Society will offer this legal advice clinic focused on tenant/landlord issues. Low-income individuals will receive free advice on civil legal issues on a first-come, first-serve basis.

216.623.7039 / cpl.org

ENERGYOU

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Middleburg Heights Branch

2:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

440.234.3600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Monday, February 12th

THE HOMELESS AND MISSING YOUTH OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

7:00 p.m.

Join Karen McHenry, program manager of Bellefaire JCB's Homeless Youth Programs, for a discussion on issues in Cuyahoga County. Learn what you can do to identify and help those in need. Please consider bringing a donation of winter gloves, mittens or sealed snacks for hygiene and survival kits.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

STREET VOICES

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Olmsted Falls Branch

7:00 p.m.

In conjunction with the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, Street Voices is made up of several well-trained homeless and formerly homeless speakers who will share their stories. With each unique tale, their goal is to expose the community to the real face of homelessness and inspire people of different ages and backgrounds to serve and get involved in their communities.

440.235.1150 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, February 13th

AFFORDABLE MEDICAL CARE IS POSSIBLE

Rocky River Public Library

7:00 p.m.

Join us as North Coast Health, a local faith-based charitable clinic, suggests solutions for individuals struggling with the cost of medical care and medications.

440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

Thursday, February 15th

HOUSING FOR YOUTH LEAVING FOSTER CARE: COMMUNITY CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library

7:00 p.m.

Join us for a conversation among former foster youth, service providers and policy analysts about the housing challenges in our community faced by youth aging out of foster care. Learn about the innovative approaches of agencies and individuals to prevent homelessness and support and strengthen this vulnerable population in Shaker Heights and Cleveland.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

Monday, February 19th

HOMELESS SHELTER SERVICE PROJECT

Rocky River Public Library

10:00 a.m.

Students in grades 5 and up: We will make no-sew blankets for youth who are currently living in the Family Promise program. Family Promise helps families move from homeless crises to sustainable independence. Pizza lunch provided.

440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

EVICITION DIVERSION

Cuyahoga County Public Library – North Royalton Branch

7:00 p.m.

The Cleveland Tenants Organization will discuss various options for tenants facing eviction and assist landlords who have questions about the eviction process.

440.237.3800 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, February 20th

ENERGYOU

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Orange Branch

7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

216.831.4282 / cuyahogalibrary.org

LANDLORD AND TENANT RIGHTS PRESENTATION BY THE CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN BAR ASSOCIATION

Lakewood Public Library – Main Library

7:00 p.m.

Cleveland and its surrounding cities, like Lakewood, have many rental homes and tenants, leading to many landlord and tenant relationships. Are you one half of this sometimes-stressful partnership? Do you know your rights if you find it necessary to evict a tenant, or what your rights are if you are that tenant being evicted? This presentation will help you navigate these complicated questions.

216.226.8275 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org

Friday, February 23rd

EVICTED AT HOME: THE REALITIES OF HOUSING IN NORTHEAST OHIO

The City Club of Cleveland

12:00 p.m.

Join us for a panel discussion that brings the issues that are discussed in *Evicted* back home to Cleveland and Northeast Ohio.

216.621.0082 / cityclub.org

Saturday, February 24th

ENERGYOU

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Parma Heights Branch

2:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

440.884.2313 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, February 27th

STREET VOICES

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Parma-Snow Branch

7:00 p.m.

In conjunction with the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, Street Voices is made up of several well-trained homeless and formerly homeless speakers who will share their stories. With each unique tale, their goal is to expose the community to the real face of homelessness and inspire people of different ages and backgrounds to serve and get involved in their communities.

216.661.4240 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, March 1st

EVICITION DIVERSION

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Southeast Branch

7:00 p.m.

The Cleveland Tenants Organization will discuss various options for tenants facing eviction and assist landlords who have questions about the eviction process.

440.439.4997 / cuyahogalibrary.org

LEGAL COUNSEL & HOUSING

Westlake Porter Public Library

7:00 p.m.

“You have the right to an attorney.” Everyone is familiar with Miranda rights thanks to civics classes and television crime shows. However, Miranda rights only apply in serious criminal cases. There is no such constitutional right to legal representation in housing cases. Learn more about the *Evicted*-related problems in Northeast Ohio and legal solutions our community can work on together to solve one of 21st-century America’s most devastating problems.

440.871.2600 / westlakelibrary.org

Saturday, March 3rd

NEIGHBORHOOD BUS TOUR & DISCUSSION

Cleveland Public Library – Carnegie West Branch

10:00 a.m.

Representatives from Cleveland Neighborhood Progress will lead a bus tour showing city areas where demolition, reuse, rehabilitation and renovation have led to housing successes, and other areas ripe for housing solutions. Preregistration and a signed waiver are required. Visit bit.ly/2jN7EP9.

216.623.6927 / cpl.org

Monday, March 5th

FAMILY BOOK NIGHT

Rocky River Public Library

6:30 p.m.

Join us to read and discuss the Newbery Award-winning *Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt de la Peña. You’ll be inspired by our gratitude and appreciation games as well as the many ways in which we can make our community a better place to live for everyone.

440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

Wednesday, March 7th

ENERGYOU

Cuyahoga County Public Library

South Euclid-Lyndhurst Branch

7:00 p.m.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

216.382.4880 / cuyahogalibrary.org



RENTERS, LANDLORDS AND NEIGHBORS IN SHAKER HEIGHTS: QUALITY OF LIFE, ECONOMIC INTEGRATION & EQUITY

**Shaker Heights Public Library – Main Library
7:00 p.m.**

Shaker Heights has long held diversity and inclusion among its major community values. What does this mean for renters and owners, among neighbors of different economic classes, races and age groups? Join us for a panel conversation about the current picture of low-income rental housing in Shaker, including subsidized housing. We'll address the rights and responsibilities of both landlords and tenants in our community.

216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

Thursday, March 8th ENERGYOU

**Cuyahoga County Public Library – Strongsville Branch
7:00 p.m.**

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland will discuss wide-ranging issues that influence our everyday energy consumption and explore ways in which we can reduce our monthly expenses.

440.238.5530 / cuyahogalibrary.org

FAIR HOUSING IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY Heights Libraries – Lee Road Branch

7:00 p.m.

Is housing discrimination a systemic part of American economy and culture? We'll explore this topic, sparked by the book *Evicted*, to see how it plays out in our own community. Share your story (and hear your neighbors') of the far-reaching consequences of a "separate and unequal" housing market.

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Saturday, March 10th

HOUSING LEGAL AID

Cleveland Public Library – Rice Branch

10:00 a.m.

The Legal Aid Society will offer this legal advice clinic focused on tenant/landlord issues. Low-income individuals will receive free advice on civil legal issues on a first-come, first-serve basis.

216.623.7046 / cpl.org

STREET VOICES

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Solon Branch

10:00 a.m.

In conjunction with the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless, Street Voices is made up of several well-trained homeless and formerly homeless speakers who will share their stories. With each unique tale, their goal is to expose the community to the real face of homelessness and inspire people of different ages and backgrounds to serve and get involved in their communities.

440.248.8777 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Monday, March 12th

TENANT'S RIGHTS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Euclid Public Library

6:00 p.m.

Join Gary Katz, executive director of the Cleveland Tenants Organization, and Darlene English, director of education at The Housing Center, for an informative presentation on your rights as a tenant. Make sure you and your family can access and maintain safe housing.

216.261.5300 / euclidlibrary.org

STREET VOICES

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Warrensville Heights Branch

7:00 p.m.

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216.464.5280 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesdays, March 13th – April 17th

SENIOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Mayfield Branch

2:00 p.m.

This six-week series will educate and motivate older adults to set and reach financial goals. ESOP, a nonprofit HUD-approved housing and financial counseling agency, will cover recognizing and avoiding elder financial exploitation; estate planning and preparing for the future; goal setting; budgeting, credit and debt; and building and protecting savings and assets.

440.473.0350 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Tuesday, March 13th

COMMUNITY ACTION POVERTY SIMULATION

Middleburg Heights Community Center

16000 Bagley Road

9:00 a.m.

The Middleburg Heights Branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library, in collaboration with the Middleburg Heights Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, will present a poverty simulation aimed at bridging the gap from misconception to understanding, sensitizing participants to the realities of poverty. During the simulation, participants will role-play a month in poverty and experience low-income families' lives. Afterward, participants will take part in a facilitated discussion on how it felt to spend a "month" struggling to meet basic needs, and they will learn how they can become more involved in helping solve this community problem. The experience lasts approximately three hours.

440.234.3600 / cuyahogalibrary.org

THE HOMELESS AND MISSING YOUTH OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY

Heights Libraries – Lee Road Branch

6:30 p.m.

Join Karen McHenry, program manager of Bellefaire JCB's Homeless Youth Programs, for a discussion on issues in Cuyahoga County. Learn what you can do to identify and help those in need. Please consider bringing a donation of winter gloves, mittens or sealed snacks for hygiene and survival kits.

216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Wednesday, March 14th

FOOD RESOURCES IN BEREA

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Berea Branch

7:00 p.m.

Learn about The Campus Kitchen at Baldwin Wallace University, a student-led organization that focuses on food waste and alleviation of hunger in Berea, and other resources for people in need.

440.234.5475 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Monday, March 19th

STREET VOICES

Rocky River Public Library

7:00 p.m.

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440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

Wednesday, March 21st

CLEVELAND TENANTS ORGANIZATION

Rocky River Public Library

7:00 p.m.

Cleveland Tenants Organization will talk about their work and programs as well as provide information on current Ohio Landlord Tenant Law. There will be a Q&A session at the end.

440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

STREET VOICES

Cuyahoga County Public Library – Berea Branch

7:00 p.m.

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440.234.5475 / cuyahogalibrary.org

Thursday, March 29th

RECOVERY RESOURCES

Westlake Porter Public Library

7:00 p.m.

Nabil Pervaiz of Recovery Resources will discuss how the trifecta of addiction, substance abuse and mental illness relates to eviction and poverty; how it creates a vicious cycle; and how it can be overcome.

440.871.2600 / westlakelibrary.org

Evicted Film Screenings

Tuesday, January 30th

DOCUMENTARY: *POVERTY, PROFIT AND POLITICS*

Euclid Public Library

7:00 p.m.

With the government spending billions of dollars on low-income housing aid, why do so few people receive help? Only one in four who are in need of housing aid receive assistance. The PBS documentary *Poverty, Profit and Politics* explores this problem and documents the historical relationship of race and housing over the past 80 years in the United States.

216.261.5300 / euclidlibrary.org

Saturday, February 3rd

DOCUMENTARY: *IF THESE WALLS COULD TALK*

East Cleveland Public Library

2:00 p.m.

What would happen if abandoned houses in Cleveland had voices? What stories would 100-year-old structures tell if they had the chance to do so? *If These Walls Could Talk* is an interactive documentary experience like no other. This feature-length documentary highlights Northeast Ohio's history, present problems and future solutions from the innovative perspective of three vacant homes on Cleveland's east side. Using a unique blend of 2-D and 3-D animation, live action and documentary elements, this film is geared to educate and entertain all ages. It is crafted to enter schools and neighborhoods with meaningful themes of purpose, perseverance and pride in one's roots. Chris Webb is the writer, director, editor and star of the film, which was made possible through the Community Partnership for Arts and Culture, Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, The Cleveland Leadership Center and National Arts Strategies.

216.541.4128 / eastclevelandpubliclibrary.org

Wednesday, February 21st

DOCUMENTARY: *IF THESE WALLS COULD TALK*

Lakewood Public Library – Main Library

6:30 p.m.

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216.226.8275 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org

Tuesday, February 27th

DOCUMENTARY: *THE LAST TRAILER PARK*

Lakewood Public Library – Main Library

6:30 p.m.

Directed by Raychel Brightman, the film goes inside the last trailer park in Nassau County, where a tight-knit community has dispersed after a spirited nine-year legal battle that the residents were never equipped to fight. Many of the 80 families lost hope and moved away long ago. *Newsday* followed the last remaining family as it struggled against a deadline to find an alternative to becoming homeless. Matthew Desmond took thousands of pages of notes as he chronicled their stories. That research has been called "the most comprehensive, detailed data on American urban poverty, housing and eviction" and is now the foundation of his book *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*. After the screening of *The Last Trailer Park*, we will show a news interview with Desmond where he talks about the documentary and his book.

216.226.8275 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org



Partner Organizations

The City Club of Cleveland

850 Euclid Avenue / 216.621.0082 / cityclub.org

Cleveland Public Library

325 Superior Avenue / 216.623.2800 / cpl.org

Cuyahoga County Public Library

2111 Snow Road / 216.398.1800 / cuyahogalibrary.org

East Cleveland Public Library

14101 Euclid Avenue / 216.541.4128 / eastclevelandpubliclibrary.org

Euclid Public Library

631 East 222nd Street / 216.261.5300 / euclidlibrary.org

Heights Libraries

2345 Lee Road / 216.932.3600 / heightslibrary.org

Lakewood Public Library

15425 Detroit Avenue / 216.226.8275 / lakewoodpubliclibrary.org

Playhouse Square

1501 Euclid Avenue / 216.771.4444 / playhousesquare.org

Rocky River Public Library

1600 Hampton Road / 440.333.7610 / rrpl.org

Shaker Heights Public Library

16500 Van Aken Boulevard / 216.991.2030 / shakerlibrary.org

Westlake Porter Public Library

27333 Center Ridge Road / 440.871.2600 / westlakelibrary.org